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In re Application of

Smith, et al.

Serial No.: 08/586,777

Filed: 12/07/95

For: **PORTABLE COMPUTER HAVING AN INTERFACE FOR DIRECT
CONNECTION TO A MOBILE TELEPHONE**

Docket No.: **TI-22187**

Examiner: **Meyers, P.**

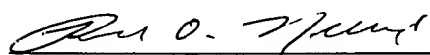
Art Unit: **2781**

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DECLARATION OF RONALD O. NEERINGS

I, Ronald O. Neerings, do hereby declare:

1. I am an attorney of record in the above-identified application and the attorney at Texas Instruments assigned to prosecute said application.
2. Prior to receiving the "Notice of Abandonment" dated January 10, 2003, I had no knowledge that an Office letter dated May 20, 2002 had been rendered on said application.
3. Prior to receiving the "Notice of Abandonment" dated January 10, 2003, the prosecution file on the above-identified case contained no copy of said Office letter dated May 20, 2002.
4. A copy of a computer screen illustration of the TI legal database docket file for TI-22187 (08/568,777) is attached hereto (two pages). The docket file clearly shows that no Office letter, or any other action for that matter, having a mail date of May 20, 2002 (or any date close thereto), was entered into the TI database. Indeed, the last communication docketed from the USPTO prior to the Notice of Abandonment dated January 10, 2003, was the Decision on Appeal dated March 8, 2002.
5. The first indication that I had that an Office letter had been rendered in the above-identified application was when I received the Notice of Abandonment dated January 10, 2003. Applicants received the Notice of Abandonment dated 07/17/02 on 07/26/02.
6. Upon receiving the faxed copy of said Office letter (dated 05/20/2002) on February 3, 2003, I reviewed said Office letter and prepared an Amendment - 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in response to said Office letter. In lieu of the above facts, I respectfully submit that the attached Amendment is timely.
7. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.


Ronald O. Neerings

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DECLARATION OF ALLEN B. KROGER

I, Allen B. Kroger, do hereby declare:


1. I am currently an employee of Texas Instruments Incorporated and have been an employee of Texas Instruments Incorporated at all times from the date of the Office letter mailed on May 20, 2002 to the present date.
2. My official title is Docketing Services Coordinator, which means I am tasked with the duty of logging into Texas Instruments' legal database, all incoming communications to Texas Instruments from the USPTO.
3. I have reviewed the legal database of Texas Instruments and find no indication that an Office letter dated May 20, 2002 for the above-identified application was ever received by Texas Instruments.
4. Being that there is no indication in the legal database that an Office letter dated May 20, 2002 was ever received by Texas Instruments, I can conclude only that Texas Instruments never received a copy of said Office letter, since if Texas Instruments had, I would have entered the information into the Texas Instruments legal database.
5. Being that I did not see a copy of said Office letter, I must presume that the Office letter was never delivered to Texas Instruments Incorporated.
6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Allen B. Kroger

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Docket Number	T22187	Attorney	Neerings, Ronald O.
Country	United States	Agent	
Case Type	Regular	Client\Division	ITG PPD
Relation Type	Original Filing	Current Owner	Texas Instruments
Filing Type	National	Previous Owner	
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Other No's	Data #5	Related Id	Title	Text	Ownership	Data #2	Attorney Notes	Text #4	
Filing Data	Related Info	More	Actions	Abstract	Expenses	Ext Files	Inventors	Keywords	Licenses
Action			Action Date	Response Due Date	Mail Date	Rec Pat Office Date	Assigned Attorney		
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Rejection response due			01/23/1997	04/23/1997	06/19/1997	06/23/1997	Neer		
Amendment 116			09/11/1997	11/11/1997	01/01/1930				
Appeal due			09/11/1997	12/11/1997	11/14/1997	11/21/1997	Neer		
Appeal Brief				01/14/1998	03/23/1998	03/27/1998	Neer		
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Reply brief - final			12/21/1998	02/21/1999	03/04/1999	03/08/1999	Neer		
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